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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

U.S. NAVY AND THE WAR.

SOME GRAVE ALLEGATIONS.

New York, January 18.
The Associated Press at Washington says that a letter from Rear Admiral Sims to Mr. Daniels, Secretary to the Navy, read before the Senate Committee on Naval Affairs, alleged that the United States Navy was unprepared for war and that the Navy Department had committed grave errors in violating fundamental military principles. When Admiral Sims was ordered to England in March, 1917, just before the United States entered the war, the Navy Department instructed him not to let the British pull wool over his eyes and "we would as soon fight the British as the Central Powers." He also alleged that the Navy Department had not co-operated with the American Naval Headquarters in London and that it was ten months before the United States really came to the aid of the Allies.

Mr. Hale, Chairman of the Committee, intimated that he would ask for an investigation of the charges.

Mr. Daniels stated that he had referred the letter to the General Board.

THE BLOCKADE AGAINST RUSSIA.

AN AMERICAN VIEW.

Washington, January 8.
Mr. Hoover, in a statement, has declared that the removal of the blockade from Soviet Russia knocked one of their "greatest props" from under the Bolsheviks. The Soviet Government had ascribed every failure of socialism to the blockade and had used it as a stimulus for raising armies on the ground that Russians were fighting to save themselves from starvation. With the blockade largely removed, Bolshevik tyranny would face collapse when it failed to relieve the starvation.

MORE OPINIONS.

London, January 18.
Despatches from Paris state that it was on Mr. Lloyd George's initiative that the decision was taken to partially raise the blockade of Russia, which is regarded by the papers as a most important measure.

The Food Controller (Mr. Roberts) told the Labour Conference in London yesterday that the Allies had undertaken to supply Russia with seeds, clothing, woollens and other necessities in exchange for corn, food and raw materials. The arrangement would operate comparatively soon. There were at present a million tons of wheat in Russia ready to be exported immediately transport facilities were available. Negotiations were now proceeding with Soviet Russia. There seems a growing feeling in favour of the decision. The *Observer* says: "The decision is a cold douche of commonsense. After the alarms: semi-official communiques on the subject of Bolshevism it is practically an announcement that the Allies are willing to give every chance to possibilities of a Russian peace, which is indispensable to general peace."

The *Sunday Times* says: "Urged by panic-mongers to rattle the sabre, the Supreme Council has preferred to extend the olive branch and convince the Russian people that the Allied nations earnestly wish Russia to resume her place in the human family circle."

The *Westminster Gazette* says: "The War Office account of the European Asiatic peril was the last attempt to stampede the public with a view to altering the decision known to be impending in Paris."

EMPIRE COTTON GROWING.

SOME SUGGESTIONS.

London, January 18.
The *Weekly Dispatch* on the forthcoming Report of the Empire Cotton Growing Committee says that the Empire can remedy the world deficiency of cotton, provided the Imperial and Dominion Governments assist, and all engaged in the cotton industry cordially co-operate. It suggests that the Committee should continue to exist and be given the general control and development of the cotton industry, with a Treasury grant of £18,000 annually for five years for expenses. It also suggests the immediate establishment of a central research institute to investigate the scientific principles of cotton-growing and that the Governments of all the Empire cotton-growing areas should fully control cotton-growing and establish local associations of growers and advise them.

BIG PASSENGER STEAMER IN DANGER.

BADLY LEAKING IN MID-ATLANTIC.

Halifax, January 18.
An intercepted wireless reports that the American steamer Powhattan, with five hundred passengers aboard, is in danger of sinking, 400 miles from Halifax. She is leaking badly and the water is gaining rapidly. The White Star liner Cedric is standing by, preparing to take off the passengers, when the weather improves.

FRENCH POLITICS.

CLEMENCEAU CABINET RESIGNS.

Paris, January 18.
M. Clemenceau has handed M. Poincare the resignation of the Cabinet.

A POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENT.

London, January 18.
A telegram from Paris states that M. Millerand, the Independent Socialist and former Minister of War, has been invited to form a Cabinet in the event of refusal by the Coalition. This is suggested as possible, with M. Briand as Premier, and M. Lefevre as Minister of Finance.

THE EX-KAISER.

Paris, January 18.
The Note demanding the extradition of the ex-Kaiser to be handed to the Dutch Minister will be published to-morrow.

GERMANY AND RUSSIA.

VISIT OF COMMISSION TO MOSCOW DENIED.

Berlin, January 18.
The *Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* denies that a German Commission has gone to Moscow, but says Red Cross representatives have gone to the interior of Russia to assist German war prisoners.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

NEW BRITISH LOAN.

AN ATTRACTIVE ISSUE.

London, January 20.
Newspapers commenting on the new British Five Year 5 1/2 per cent. Loan, emphasise the special feature that the Loan is redeemable under five years at the option of the holder by notice being given in January 1921, 1922 or 1923 requiring repayment twelve months later. Another feature is that the new bonds and interest are exempt from British taxation, including Income Tax, for holders not resident in the United Kingdom. The object of the loan is to replace obligations totalling about two hundred millions maturing in the present year.

LATEST SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

ELECTRIC POWER AND LIGHT.

EXPERT ADVISER FOR THE F.M.S.

Singapore, January 21.
A despatch received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies states that Mr. F. Bolton has been selected as expert adviser on the provision of electric power and light for large towns in the F. M. S. He is sailing from England shortly and is expected to be in this country within six months.

TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

THE SHANTUNG QUESTION.

Shanghai, January 22.
The Japanese Minister has demanded an immediate reply from the Foreign Ministry as to whether China agrees to have the Kiaochow question settled in Peking by two special Commissioners, one to be appointed by Japan and the other by China.

CHINA'S LATEST LOAN.

Shanghai, January 21.
America has joined the New Bank Group, and the £5,000,000 Loan to China is in the process of negotiation. Therefore the idea of a \$24,000,000 Loan from Japan is dropped.

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

THE "CHINA" STILL AGROUND.

PASSENGERS ALL LANDED.

Shanghai, January 21.
The "China" had not been floated at two o'clock this afternoon. Messages indicate the steamer is ashore at the entrance to Nagasaki Harbour. Repeated requests for information have not been answered. The "China" is ashore near the inner light of Nagasaki Harbour. The accident was due to attempts to avoid fishing boats. Attempts to refloat have been unsuccessful. The ship is being lightened, salvage arrangements being made. All passengers have been landed at Nagasaki and are proceeding to their destination by other steamers.

A wireless message from the S.S. China at three o'clock this morning states "Still on rocks. Not much change." Nearly all passengers have abandoned the ship and the rest are leaving this morning. This scanty news indicates that the China is on the rocks 200 miles from Shanghai. She was communicating with Hongkong Wireless Station at four o'clock this morning.

THE SHANGHAI MURDER CASE.

Shanghai, January 21.
The Weiss murder trial will be commenced on Thursday.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE SILVER SITUATION.

London, Jan. 15.
Messrs. Montagu's report states that the difference between to-day's cash and forward prices, which are 79 and 75 1/2 respectively, is a record. The cause is the unprecedented quantity of refinable silver offered. This is almost certainly the product of Germany and other coin melted down abroad and sent here for refining and realisation. The German who is fortunate enough to possess 20,000 marks in silver coin can have them melted into bars and sell them as bullion for £1,243 which at to-day's exchange would buy 235,459 marks in currency. Despite the great capacity of London refiners it has not been found possible to refine these bars except after a delay of some weeks, hence the scarcity of spot supplies and the high premium therefor. The fall of prices is due to the news of the arrival of probably the record shipment of 24,000,000 sterling in silver at Shanghai. The newspaper "Financial America" declares the report that 15,000,000 silver dollars have hitherto been shipped to China is incorrect. The time or amounts of shipments will not be announced. The reason for secrecy is the banking situation at Shanghai and Hongkong where the financial machinery is not controlled by the Chinese Government but dominated by outside interests. Full information with regard to the amount which is to be shipped under the agreement might be harmful to the object of the shipments, namely, the stabilisation of American exchange in the Chinese markets. The Indian Mint has issued nickel eight anna and four anna pieces instead of silver.

(Other Telegrams on Pages 2, and 3)

MR. L. LE BRETON.

DEATH FROM PNEUMONIA.

The news of the death of Mr. Leonard Le Breton, of the firm of Alex. Ross and Company, which occurred early this morning at his residence, No. 6, Broadwood Road, has been received with acute regret by a large circle of friends who enjoyed his acquaintance. The deceased had only been ill for about a week, and his condition was not considered serious until yesterday, when he took a turn for the worse. He passed away at 12.10 a.m. to-day, the cause of death being pneumonia, following an attack of influenza.

The late Mr. Le Breton, who was only 31 years of age, came to the Colony when he was quite young and had spent practically the whole of his life in Hongkong. He joined Messrs. Alex. Ross and Company in 1909 as an assistant and at the time of his death was Manager of the Machinery Department, having secured promotion as a result of steady application to business and a conscientious discharge of his duties. He was rightly regarded by Mr. D. K. Moss, the Manager of the firm, as a most promising young man. He was a member of the Hongkong Cricket Club, the Golf Club and Defence Corps, of which he belonged to the Engineer Company. Some few years back, he was among the Colony's most promising tennis players, being prominently identified with the Y.M.C.A. team at the time it won the League Championship. He was also a member of St. John's Cathedral choir and the Philharmonic Society.

Deceased leaves a widow and a young son, and a painful circumstance is that Mrs. Le Breton has just been admitted to the Barker Road Hospital suffering from influenza. With her the utmost sympathy will be felt in her bereavement. Deceased was extremely popular with all who knew him, and many residents have lost a real friend by his death. The funeral takes place at Happy Valley this evening, the corpse passing the Monument at 5 p.m. Messrs. Alex. Ross and Company's house flag was at half-mast to-day, and the office was closed in the afternoon as a mark of respect to the memory of a faithful employee.

DAY BY DAY.

We hear that Mrs. Basil Taylor is holding "At Homes" on February 3rd and 4th in honour of those who have helped in the work for Devastated France.

An Indian watchman whom the Police "ran in" for being in a quarrelsome condition, brought in by the imbibing of too much alcohol, was to-day fined \$5 at the Police Court.

From to-morrow there will be a cheap sale at La Favorite. Ladies should not miss this opportunity of buying high-class goods, some of which have been reduced by ten per cent., while others have been marked down no less than 25 per cent.

The case which was brought against two Chinese who ran a drug divan was concluded at the Magistracy to-day, when Mr. J. R. Wood inflicted the following sentences:—For injecting morphia into the system of several customers they were given three months each, and for being in possession of the drugs a fine of \$25 was imposed.

The adherent of the "Mai Kwok Fo" ("buy native goods") party whom we reported yesterday as being charged with inscribing Chinese characters on the wall at Seymour Road urging his compatriots to boycott the local big Chinese stores, was to-day proved guilty of the offence and a fine of \$10 was inflicted.

ROBBED BY COMRADE.

COOLIE FROM FRANCE LOSES SAVINGS.

Recently returned from France, where he was a member of the Labour Corps, a Chinese, whose name is Li Chi-wan, fell a victim to the thieving propensities of a comrade to whom he gave help, and had, his savings, which amounted to a sum of over \$1,000 stolen from him.

Li Chi-wan met the comrade on Monday night when he was out on a stroll after his evening meal. Learning that his comrade, whose name is Lai Fan, was in a destitute condition, and having in mind the memory of the happy time they had had together in France, Li very generously intimated that his house and property were at his comrade's disposal. Together they passed a very happy hour over their bowls of rice and eventually both turned in. Next morning, whilst Li was preparing their "chow" in the kitchen, his comrade, Lai Fan, took "French" leave together with a couple of jackets belonging to his host. In one of the jackets was a purse and in that purse a sum of \$12 in Hongkong notes. Also, neatly sewn in the lining of one of the sleeves of the jacket there was a fat wad of French banknotes to the value of \$1,000. It was this money which had caught Lai's fancy and which had induced him to leave his friend's house without a word of farewell.

On discovering his loss, Li set out at once to find about the whereabouts of his thieving friend. In the pocket of one of the stolen jackets there was also a receipt which had been given him by a watchmaker for a watch which was taken into the shop for repairs. A recollection of this fact led Li to go to the watchmaker's shop and there he gave instructions that if the receipt were presented, the man who brought it was to be detained. It turned out as anticipated. A man who, later, gave his name as Hu In-sing, was arrested whilst presenting the receipt at the shop and when questioned at the Police Station, gave the information that he was given the receipt by Lai Fan, who was subsequently arrested at the Canton Boat Wharf, last night.

At the Police Court this morning, Lai Fan was given a lecture by Mr. N. L. Smith on the right way to behave towards a man who had shown him kindness. He had returned evil for good, and thereby brought upon himself the tribulation of being sentenced to hard labour for three months. The man to whom he made the present of the watch receipt was released on the order of the Magistrate.

Though he had the satisfaction of seeing the thief punished, Li Chi-wan was nevertheless not glad. In some inexplicable way, the thief had disposed of the money before his arrest, and probably in some snug hole it waits for him until he comes out of prison.

THE "CHINA".

Beyond the news contained in our Earlier Special Telegrams to-day regarding the S.S. China, we have received no telegraphic amplification of the news so far reported by our Shanghai correspondent.

On enquiry at the offices of the China Mail Steamship Company here we learned that a cable was received this morning to the effect that the work of removing the cargo was still being carried on and that an attempt was to be made to refloat the ship this morning. All the passengers have now been landed.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 55.114d.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast—fine. Barometer:—30.11. Temperature 2 p.m.:—65. Humidity 2 p.m.:—23.

DAY BY DAY.

The only case of communicable disease notified yesterday was one fatal occurrence of cerebro-spinal fever, the victim being a Chinese.

Kowloon residents who have not already joined the newly-formed Residents' Association are asked to send their names to the Hon. Secretary. See adv.

The 2nd Battalion Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, which was at Hongkong when the war broke out, has taken over quarters at Fort William, Calcutta, on recent arrival in India from England.

We are asked to state that the Raffle for M. Hauchecorne's clay figures, now on view at Messrs. Sennet Freres, is to be drawn on Saturday, and all those who have so kindly been selling tickets are requested to return their books to Captain Basil Tylour, at the Harbour Office to-morrow (Friday).

The following passengers arrived in the Colony per the O.S. K. "Atsuta Maru" to-day—Mr. S. J. W. Clarke, Mrs. V. V. Clarke, Miss L. Clarke, Mr. H. Eyre, Mrs. C. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kotus, Mrs. F. Lafrentz, Miss H. K. MacKenzie, Mr. F. J. Manglos, Mr. D. M. Ritchie, Mr. and Mrs. H. Rolfe, and Miss Rolfe.

Commander Basil R. Brooke, D.S.O., commands the sloop Magnolia, commissioned to the China Station. Other officers appointed to the ship include the following:—Lieutenant J. C. West, Sub-Lieutenant S. E. Johnson, Surgeon-Lieutenant O. D. Brownfield, O.B.E., Chief Gunner A. E. Brock, Gunner H. J. Ferryer.

A Mixed American Tennis tournament (sealed handicap) will be played at the Ladies Recreation Club on Saturday, January 31st, commencing at 2.15 p.m. The entrance fee will be \$2 for each couple. Members may invite a non-member to play with them. Entries close on Tuesday, the 27th January, and may be made either with Miss Moxon, No. 109 the Peak, or with the No. 1 Boy at the Ladies Recreation Club.

A regular arsenal was lighted upon by the Police when they searched the crew's quarters in the Empress of Asia on its arrival here. Eight Winchester rifles, six revolvers, and no less than 7,134 rounds of ammunition were found hidden in several cases which, from their nature, would appear to contain nothing less innocent than provisions. The haul was not followed by any arrests as the smugglers discreetly kept themselves in the background.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Theatre Royal—Russian Opera Co. present "Mignon"—9.15 p.m.
Coronet Theatre—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

TOMORROW.

Theatre Royal—Russian Grand Opera Co. present "La Jewema"—9.15 p.m.
Coronet Theatre—5.15 to 9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

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DAYTIME DECOLLETAGE.

THE LOW-NECKED THREAT OF FASHION.

BY ISABOL SMITH.

It has been whispered that low-necked frocks are coming in for day wear, and that we are going back to the fashions of a century and more ago.

What an outcry there will be if the suggestion materialises, both on the score of health and propriety!

Pneumonia blouses will be nothing, to the bare necks and shoulders exposed to draughts and open windows in the garish light of day.

One can imagine the letters and articles headed, "Courting Destruction!" "Where will latitude in ladies' dress end?" with which newspaper editors will be bombarded!

We shall have too, the candid opinion of a well-known Harley street specialist, a scathing denunciation from a shocked Bishop. Perhaps a special censor will be appointed, without whose approval no décolletage creation will "pass" the modiste's workroom! Yet, if decorum will be outraged by decent low bodices, what of the evening bodice of to-day, when more than a glimpse of the "white bosoms" which so disturbed good Dr. Johnson, is visible?

And, after all, one gets used to any innovations. The woman's breeches and gaiters, which before the war would have caused their wearer to be mobbed, very soon ceased to excite interest or comment.

And our great-grandmothers wore low-necked gowns, as they compounded their conserves and similes in the stillroom or sat at needlework before their tambour frames in the parlour. Surely they were modest enough, those demure ladies with their drooping ringlets (nature's covering), and upright figures, which never lolled or lounged in easy chairs.

And they had, besides, their graceful scarves to draw round their shoulders, just as the ladies of Steele's day had their modesty-piece.

Then, as to the other objection—taking cold. One feels that if the delicate females who swooned on the smallest pretext, who wore linen undergarments, and thin sandal slippers, could wear such attire, surely the open-air girl of to-day could do so with impunity. For though our great-grandmothers lived a much more indoor life, a walk in the shrubbery on a dry day often sufficing for an airing, they missed the hardening effect of exercise in all weathers.

And it was the same in their houses, for with the old-fashioned fear of fresh air, the windows were seldom opened, and were further protected against draught by sandbags stretching their snake-like length along the window-sashes! Even the chimneys, which with their wide fireplaces, would have afforded good ventilation, were closed by chimney-boards, to match the wall-paper of the rooms. So that though the fair Emmas and Amelias were less exposed to cold they were paradoxically more exposed to cold by being less fitted to resist it.

And surely the part exposed becomes hardened, as the Indian chief pointed out to the Englishman who wondered that he did not feel cold in his scanty clothing inquiring if his interrogator felt cold in his face, and on being answered in the negative replied, "Me all face."

One can picture these "dear dead women" in their sprigged muslins and puce-colour sarsenets, twisting their "pretty long fingers over the harpiscoll," like Tom Simkin's Cousin Con, or like Jane Austen's delightful heroines, copying riddles in an album!

And if the modern girl should array herself after their fashion (so great an influence has dress upon their wearers, as witness the mannish stride and speech of the war-worker in man's attire), would she likewise acquire some of their characteristics, would she become more essentially feminine?

Would she be satisfied to read such improving literature as the essay in the "Mirror" on contentment in the home, which Catherine Morland so nearly escaped? Would she show her housewifely skill in the kitchen, or sit down to needlework in the parlour (the word is revived), her bare neck and arms giving her a grateful sense of freedom?

And, above all, would she learn to modulate her accents to "the sweet and low" voice, which used to be held "an excellent thing in woman," but which at the present day seems at a discount?


And, if so, will she also pursue up her pretty lips, and say "Prunes and prisms"? Who knows?

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

GERMANY'S "BOXER" LOOT.

London, Jan. 14.
Writing to "The Times," Major General Desmond O'Callaghan says there is now at Potsdam a collection of extremely interesting and valuable ancient astronomical instruments, astrolabes, azimuth circles, equatorial sights, and other similar objects of exquisite workmanship, looted by the Germans from the Chinese during the Boxer Rebellion. A gentleman who saw these instruments in China before they were taken to Germany suggests it would be a graceful act on the part of the Allies and would give great satisfaction to the civilised nations of Europe if sufficient pressure were put on Germany to induce her to disgorge this historically interesting loot and restore it to China whose lasting gratitude such restitution would certainly earn. Major-General O'Callaghan hopes the suggestion will be thought worthy of consideration.

London, Jan. 15.
Writing to "The Times" with reference to Major-General O'Callaghan's letter, Eugene Chen points out that restitution of the astronomical instruments mentioned is a term of the Treaty of Versailles. He says that although China has not signed the Treaty, owing to President Wilson's opposition to her doing so under the reservation regarding Shantung, the Chinese view is that Article 131 of the Treaty providing this restitution is operative since it is a Treaty obligation undertaken by Germany to the Allied associated powers as a whole.

OVERDUE VESSELS.

London, Jan. 15.
Lloyds state that the following vessels which have not been heard of since the dates specified are now considered very much overdue:—Peking, of Gothenburg, which sailed from Karatsu for Hull on August 31, and was in wireless communication on Sept. 2; the tug Samson, of Shanghai, which sailed from Plymouth for Gibraltar on Nov. 9 towing a target, last seen by the steamer Ethelwolf on Nov. 26 in latitude 43.15, North; longitude 9.27 West; and the Castor of London, which sailed from Singapore for Haifong on Nov. 16.

PERSIA TO BE PROTECTED.

London, Jan. 17.
The "Daily Chronicle" says that although the Eastern situation is disquieting there is no truth in the suggestion that another war is contemplated. Whatever measures may be decided will be defensive, including probably concerted action by the Allies to protect Persia and the new republics. Possibly military measures will be used to frustrate the efforts of the Bolsheviks to effect a junction with the Turks.

BOMBAY COTTON STRIKE.

Bombay, Jan. 14.
The situation arising out of the strike by the cotton mill hands is unchanged. The strikers as a body have not yet formulated definite demands. The Mill Owners Association announces that as the mill hands struck without notice no wages will be paid during the strike.

PREMIER'S BIRTHDAY MESSAGE.

London, Jan. 17.
Mr. Lloyd George in a message on his birthday to the "Daily Graphic" writes:—"The tumult of human anger and unrest is settling down to an assured peace."

RUGGER.

London, Jan. 17.
At "Rugger," Wales defeated England by 19 points to 5 at Swansea.

OBITUARY.

London, Jan. 15.
The death is announced of Mrs. Anne Urquhart Turner, a missionary, of Amoy.

INTERNATIONAL TENNIS.

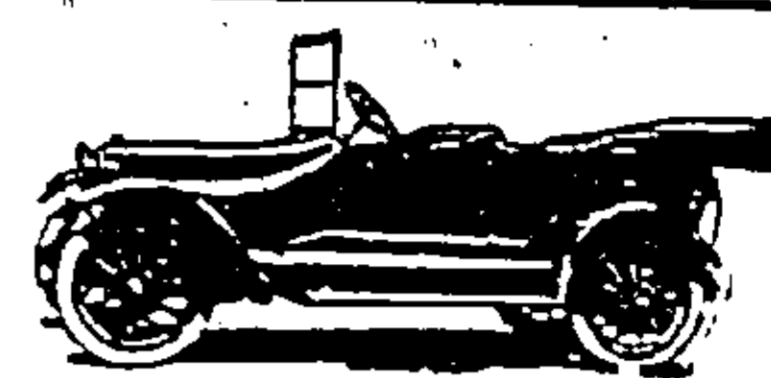
Sydney, Jan. 17.
Rain has set in and the Doubles competitions have been postponed until Monday.

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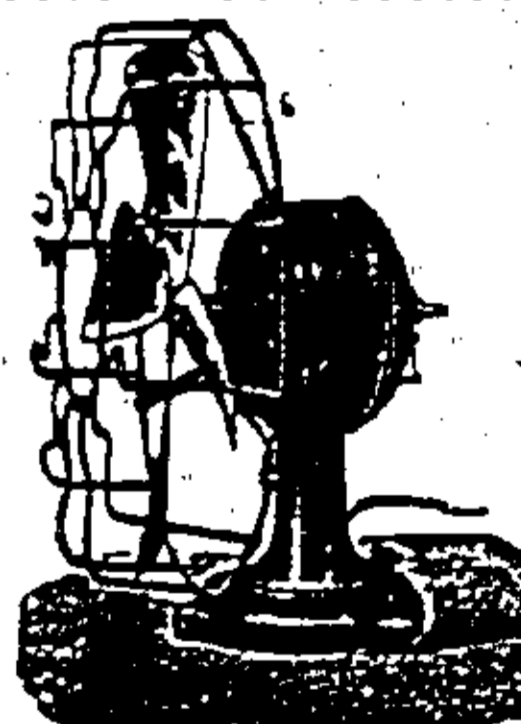
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

RUSSIAN TRADE.

Paris, Jan. 17.
Well informed circles emphasise that the partial re-opening of trade with Russia does not imply a change of attitude on the part of the British Government towards the Soviet but solely to sanction Russian co-operative societies having offices in London and Paris, in which 25,000,000 Russian peasants are interested, to import supplies into Russia. The last Russian crop was the best for thirty years and it is wished to use it for the peoples of Western Europe who are in urgent need of food. Furthermore it is believed that one of the best methods to improve conditions in Russia will be again to allow trade to pass through the usual channels unfettered by military control.

"AMAZING DECISION."

London, Jan. 17.
The "Daily News" correspondent interprets the decision to allow a limited interchange of products between Russia and Europe as bringing a prospect of some kind of peace with Soviet Russia nearer. The "Times" Paris correspondent says the decision to re-open trade implies a notable gap in the blockade and a consequential change in the attitude towards the Bolshevik Government which will not fail to arouse a storm of criticism. Allied statesmen argue that the absence of supplies from Russia causes social disturbance compelling the rest of Europe to pay exorbitant prices to America for food and raw materials. A constructive policy is necessary to counteract the Bolshevik creed of violence and destruction.

The "Times" in an editorial headed "Amazing Decision" says the assurance that no change is implied in the Allied policy towards the Soviet implies a heavy draft on the credulity of the Allied people.

THE FRENCH PRESIDENCY.

Versailles, Jan. 17.
There were most animated scenes on the occasion of the election. Troops kept order in the streets which were thronged by crowds from Paris. Distinguished visitors included Mr. Lloyd George and other foreign diplomats. The floor of the galleries of the assembly room at the Chateau were crowded, those present including Madame Deschanel and children. When M. Leon Bourgeois, President of the Senate, opened the session, M. Deschanel was present, obviously repressing emotion. Only M. Deschanel's name appeared on the printed ballot paper though this did not exclude voting for others. Most Socialists had previously decided to support his candidature although two leaders abstained from voting. Ballotting proceeded without incident. General Castelnau received an ovation from all parts when he stepped up to record his vote. M. Deschanel was elected at the first ballot, receiving 734 votes.

839 votes were recorded. Other votes cast were:—M. Jonnart, 66; M. Clemenceau, 56; M. Bourgeois, 6; Marshal Foch 2. Four others received one vote each and the remainder were spoiled papers. In consequence of the Constitution not permitting the National Congress to pass resolutions the Assemblymen drew up a motion which was speedily covered with signatures stating "Senators and Deputies in National Assembly met hereby express their gratitude to M. Clemenceau for the unforgettable services he has rendered to his country."

London, Jan. 17.
M. Deschanel has been elected President.

Paris, Jan. 19.
The Millerand Cabinet is constituted. It is chiefly a rebuilding Ministry. M. Millerand has taken the Foreign Affairs portfolio.—Havas

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A NEW KING.

THE REIGN OF COTTON.
(BY A. S. WADE.)

One of the results of the past five years' experiences which no one could have anticipated, was that a great industry would begin at the end of the war to change its soul. Yet in Lancashire that is taking place. A new force is reaching to the centre of the cotton industry; new impulses and new aims will begin before long to show themselves. Will the soul of the coming days be as estimable as the old one?

The motives and thoughts and mental and moral tendencies of the old order of cotton lord found expression in something which could justly be called the soul of the industry. It was a quite recognisable entity. It was in relation to other industries narrow and opinionated; a good deal of its manifestations were coloured with selfishness. Yet it was open-minded and fair-minded within its own realm and its bond was always honoured. It revealed a great love for profits, but it liked orderly arrangement, peace of mind, and would sacrifice much of its desire for gain to secure the goodwill of the world.

Now, to leave metaphor, many of the men who gave the cotton industry its distinctive character among industries are selling out to people who are called cosmopolitan financiers. Is it a desirable change? Many heads are being shaken dubiously, and no one doubts more than the Lancashire operative. Of the old order of "masters," there are many who themselves have gone through the mill in the literal sense. They know all its trials and difficulties. Experience of the fatigue and monotony of the weaving or spinning rooms has given them a sympathy with the operative who has to meet these trials daily. The big financier can never have that. The old cotton employer, too, believed in collective bargaining, and "a fair deal and everything above board." In fact, the industry is the shining example of the value of frank and ready intercourse between employers and employed in times of disagreement. Will the new owners maintain this record?

Whatever the great financiers do, they can never stand in the same intimate relation to the operative that the old cotton employers do. There will be no meetings whereat a trade union leader will greet an employer across the table with a "How do, Jim?" and the new cotton lords cannot be expected to imitate previous owners of some of the newly-acquired mills by replying "Varra weel, Will; and how art thou?" But the cosmopolitan financier has no doubts. He is certain he can run the cotton mills as well as if not better than, the old regime. Has he not already spoken of them as old fogies? And those same old fogies have taken no offence at the description. They have accepted the cosmopolitan financiers' millions, have banked the new-gained wealth and, with characteristic self-assurance, have decided that if there is any old fogeyism about they do not by any means monopolise it.

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MISSED AFTER A WALK
ALONG THE STRAND.

A double rope of pearls, valued at £3,100, mysteriously disappeared recently between the Savoy Hotel and Charing Cross.

The victim is Mrs. Hamilton-Wedderburn, wife of Lieut-Col. H. K. Hamilton-Wedderburn, of the Scots Guards, of Lygon-place, Grosvenor-gardens, Victoria, Deputy Provost-Marshal for the London district.

Mrs. Hamilton-Wedderburn is greatly distressed at her loss, as the pearls were a wedding present some 14 years ago. She was wearing another, and more valuable, double rope of pearls at the time, but these were intact.

To a *Daily Chronicle* representative Mrs. Hamilton-Wedderburn explained how she lost her jewels. She had dined with her husband at the Savoy, and while waiting in the vestibule she still had the pearls. As she and her husband could not get a taxi-cab they walked along the Strand, hoping to pick one up on the road.

At Northumberland-avenue the lady made a movement to pull cloak closer round her neck, and found some of the pearls were missing. They were two ropes, in one of which were 98 and the other 91 pearls, fastened together with their diamond clasps to form one rope. Both clasps were in good order. At no time was the wearer in a crush.

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MARRIAGE.

JAMES-MITCHELL.—On January 20th, at the Union Church, Kennedy Road, by the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, Rosina McArthur Mitchell (Rosie) only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Mitchell, Quarry Bay, to Charles P. F. James of Messrs. W. G. Humphreys and Co., Swatow. "At Home" at 5, Tai Koo Terrace, Quarry Bay, on Monday, 2nd February.

DEATH.

LE BRETON.—At his residence, Broadwood Road, on the morning of the 22nd instant, Leonard le Breton, aged 31 years. Deeply regretted.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 1920.

A PERNICIOUS MEASURE.

If the people of Singapore acquiesce, without protest, in the proposal of the Government to impose compulsory military service on British subjects, for the purpose of local defence, we shall be painfully surprised. A cable from our Singapore correspondent yesterday stated that the Defence Corps Bill has been read a first time in the Legislative Council and that it compels all medically fit European British subjects between the ages of 18 and 41 years to be enrolled, whilst non-European British subjects who are already Volunteers are also rendered liable to service. A more pernicious measure, in times of peace, we can hardly imagine. It strikes at the very liberty of the subject and identifies a British Colony with a form of service which always has been, and ever will be, distasteful to any freedom-loving people. So far, the Bill has only been formally introduced. As to whether it will become law largely depends on the nature and strength of public feeling on the subject. If those affected are content to lie low and say nothing, displaying an attitude of indifference towards the matter, we may count upon it that they will very soon find themselves conscripts. If, however, through their unofficial members and otherwise, they make it clear that forced service is repugnant to them, then we may entertain the hope that the Government will be induced to refrain from pushing the project any further.

Here in Hongkong during the war, and in Singapore also, medically fit men were required to enrol themselves for local defence. That was an extraordinary measure necessitated by extraordinary circumstances. Because of the pressing need for men to serve in war theatres, the local Garrisons were very largely depleted, and it was essential that there should be men on the spot capable of handling a rifle, understanding military orders and in other respects efficient, so as to be able to cope with any untoward happenings that might possibly occur. But happily that time has passed. Both in Singapore and in Hongkong, the Garrisons are up to pre-war strength; the situation is just as it was before 1914, when any idea of compelling Britishers to enrol in an auxiliary force would have been very promptly resented. Here we should like to say that the Hongkong Government has displayed a spirit of sweet reasonableness in deciding, within six months of the conclusion of peace, to repeal the law of compulsion and to leave it to the young men of the Colony to decide for themselves whether or not they wish to continue their military services under a voluntary scheme. That step does our Government infinite credit, and we strongly commend it to the notice of the Straits Government as being an example well worth following.

We are wondering whether there is sufficient public-spiritedness in Singapore to put a stop to this attempt to perpetuate militarism before it is too late. If forced service is the legacy which the war has left Singapore, then we could well sympathise with any British subject there who might regret that the war ever took place. Our hope is that our sister Colony has on the Council some fearless champion of public rights who will make it clear to the Government that the people are in no wise disposed to agree to any form of conscriptive military service whatever. Why, the war was fought to kill the military spirit, as we have been frequently assured; yet here is a British Government which wants that spirit kept alive! It must not be inferred from what we have stated that we do not think it the duty of all able-bodied young men to enrol themselves in local defence forces. Far from it. But the man who will not voluntarily come forward and offer his services, when the need of them is made apparent, is not worth dragging into a Defence Corps by means of a compulsory Ordinance. His very demeanour is likely to reflect on a body of men, the majority of whom would not doubt volunteer to serve if only left alone. The passing of a conscriptive law in Singapore would constitute a standing reflection on the young men of the Colony, conveying the impression (false though we believe it would be) that they need to be dragged into service. Far better would it be to leave the matter, as Hongkong is doing, to their sense of loyalty. A local auxiliary force can be of inestimable use to a Colony such as Singapore. There is no case whatever, though, for compelling Britishers to join it.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

CHINA AND LONG CREDITS.

In a northern weekly contemporary we came across a news item the other day which told us that the efforts of the China Association at Home to organise British merchants against the long-credit system in China has practically been abandoned owing to the impossibility of securing common action. This news came to us a little in the nature of a surprise because after all that we heard during the war of the matter it was but natural to assume that it had been settled for all time. Do our readers remember the impassioned speeches that were delivered at the meetings of the Chamber of Commerce and how the passing away of German competition was assuredly going to spell the passing away also of the pernicious system that they were supposed to have introduced and by which they beguiled the Chinese? One can almost hear Mr. Holyoak delivering one of his long sentences now. In referring to this matter we might just as well state that we are not very greatly concerned whether long or short term credits are given so long as British traders can, under whatever system is in vogue, hold their own by legitimate trade efforts. But, if the consensus of opinion is that short term credits are better for all concerned, then it is a pity that merchants at Home have not had the good sense to combine in the matter. If other foreign traders are offering longer terms then it is only left for the British to follow suit or be left hopelessly behind in the effort to secure China's trade. High-class goods are not everything; there must be accommodation given to the purchasers if others offer it. This latest news is a little further evidence of human frailty though it might be termed "inconsistency" or "adaptability." How human to passionately declare "Never again" when you are fortunately placed and then turn round again when circumstances alter? It is probably a case of "needs must when necessity drives."

SHANTUNG.

The Shantung Peninsula has proved to be quite an important little bit of the world in recent times and its disposition after passing out of the hands of the Germans has given rise to very important differences of opinion. Because of these differences China has not yet signed the Peace Treaty and America has included Shantung in her list of objections. But there is pleasing news to hand now to the effect that the Chinese Government intends to lay the whole question before the Council of the League of Nations and that is a course the wisdom of which we have been pointing out ever since the question of the Peninsula has been so prominent. We fully believe that it would have been better for China to have signed the Peace Treaty under protest, at the same time giving an indication that she intended to ask the League of Nations to settle the position of Shantung. That would have saved a great deal of friction. Japan has also invited China to negotiate direct with her with regard to the possession of the territory, but China, very naturally, prefers to obtain the judgment of the new international tribunal. China's only outstanding point as regards the Peace Treaty is this one and perhaps it is not too much to hope that her delegates in Paris will be instructed to sign the Treaty, the adjustment of the Shantung question being left entirely in the hands of the League. At all events the latest news is more hopeful than any that has been received for a long time.

WHAT OF THE EX-KAISER?

It will be quite an interesting point of international law if Holland refuses to give up the ex-Kaiser, as it is generally believed that she will. And her grounds for resistance appear to be quite good, namely, that the offence named in the Peace Treaty—crimes against international morality and the sacredness of treaties—are not provided for in Dutch laws nor in the extradition Treaties. Apparently, the ex-Kaiser knew what he was doing when he jumped across the border. But, seriously, Holland can hardly be counted upon to deny the combined request of the Allied Powers, though she will probably safeguard herself by a solemn protestation. After all it is not so much a matter of the written law that has been violated but the great unwritten laws of morality and fair dealing, and it would be a travesty of justice if the written

DAY BY DAY.

BE AFRAID, AND ALL THE KING'S HORSES AND ALL THE KING'S MEN CANNOT DRAG YOU TO SUCCESS.

The Bishop of Victoria (Dr. Lander) is presiding over the Triennial Diocesan Synod of the Chinese Church. It is being held at Canton from to-day until Friday evening. Mrs. Lander has accompanied him.

Chief Writer T. H. Smith, H. M. S. Tamar, attached to Commodore's Office, Naval Yard, was successful at the examination held last July in professional subjects for the promotion of Chief Writers to Warrant Rank.

We learn that the road round the island of Hongkong will be open to traffic as from Saturday next. The circular trip from the Post Office and back again covers 24½ miles via the Victoria (Lower) Road and 23½ miles via the Pokfulam (Upper) Road.

Advance tickets for the University Union theatrical performances at \$3 each are now obtainable from the Registrar of the University, or from Moutrie's, in exchange for which seats can be reserved two days ahead of the general booking. The advance booking opens at Moutrie's on Friday, 30th January, at 9 a.m. and the general booking on 2nd February at 9 a.m.

Business people, and private residents as well, will be glad to know that the Hongkong Directory, Diary and Blotter published by the South China Morning Post Ltd., has now been issued. This useful desk requisite, with its familiar green binding, needs no recommendation. It is extremely handy for reference and contains a wealth of local information. The price is \$3.

The pictures in to-morrow's *Telegraph* will include one of decided novelty, this being a photo of Lord French, accompanied by a plan of Phoenix Park and locality, indicating the exact spot where he was recently attacked by assassins. This map was reproduced from a code cablegram sent from London to America, and it is the first map ever telegraphed across the Atlantic.

To a large audience at the Theatre Royal last night, the Russian Grand Opera Company presented "La Boheme." This opera, which deals with life in the Quartier Latin, was quite new to most present, and was greatly enjoyed. The work of the principals being particularly good. However, the piece did not make such an appeal as many other of the Company's productions have done. To-night "Mignon" is to be staged, to-morrow the attraction is "La Jewess," whilst the final performance will be given on Saturday, when "Madame Butterfly" will be produced at a matinee and "The Barber of Seville" at night.

The usual weekly dance of the Royal Naval Quadrille Club was held at the Seamen's Institute on Tuesday and quite a large and jovial gathering assembled. Owing to the illness of the pianist, Mrs. Titmas, a substitute was obtained by the genial and energetic President and Hon. Sec. (Chief Writer Smith). This substitute was one of the ship's company of H.M.S. "Ambrose," who was also assisted in the rendering of very appropriate music to the dance programme by two of his colleagues, each of whom played a violin, the trio greatly adding to the enjoyment of the evening. Mrs. Alderman, an old favourite pianist of the R.N. Quadrille Club, kindly played for a set of lancers and also the Destiny Waltz, her voluntary assistance being much appreciated. Yeoman of Signals Warren proved an able and efficient M.C. and the members of the Committee of the Club also contributed to the success of the dance. It is very gratifying to note that the Club appears to be losing none of its popularity as the Tuesday evening dance seems to be looked forward to as one of the tit-bits of the week.

law prevented the operation of the greater unwritten law. The Allies may not have a paper authority to demand the ex-Kaiser but they have a tremendous moral right, and one can hardly think that Holland, or any other Power, would stand in the way. There will be a "protest" but we think there will also be a trial.

MUSICAL JOTTINGS.

(BY "ENHARMONIC").

There has been quite a deal of satisfaction expressed at the fact that the Russian Grand Opera Company has found it possible to extend its stay here for a little longer, though it might have been expected that Hongkong had had its fill of operatic music for a little while. If the Company has given Hongkong a fortnight's pleasure Hongkong has certainly given the Company splendid support—far better than anyone would have been daring enough to have guaranteed. There has not been one performance at which one could say there was a poor house, and the majority of the operas have been witnessed by packed houses.

I do not want to refer in any great detail to what the Company has been doing since I last wrote in this column, because the papers have, day by day, given quite adequate accounts of the performances. One does not always want to be reading about the same thing, but I will just stay to remark that in connection with the ordinary reports of the "shows" one musical person asked me during the past week why it was that there was not more criticism given to lighten what he termed "a continual round of flattery." He hinted that quite a good deal of criticism could have been given. I cannot presume to answer for those who write the accounts but I should like to give my own answer.

At all altogether from any commercial side, people in Hongkong cannot afford to criticise too much. It is not as though we were living in London where "show" is not up to much, we can go somewhere else where things are better. We get very little of anything and what we do get should not be frightened away because there are a few people with superior ideas who say nasty things in the newspapers and so encourage a small measure of support. Take the case of the Company with us now. There is a tremendous cost in salaries and passages and if a lot of unkind things had been said and poor houses had resulted it would have been a long time before any other Opera Company would have ventured into the "chilly" atmosphere of Hongkong. If a show is bad, people soon get to know of it without waiting to be told so by the newspapers. Of course, there is no useful purpose served by indiscriminately bestowing praises on an impossible "show" and it is because this is sometimes done that some people have the impression that all newspaper accounts in Hongkong are hardly worth the reading. Would it surprise many to learn that Hongkong can boast of some talented musicians among its journalists?

In conversation with Mr. Strok, who is piloting the Russian Company through its present tour, I learn that it is due to leave Hongkong on January 26, and is proceeding direct to Calcutta, where it is hoped that a lengthy stay will be possible during the "season." India generally will be toured, including Bombay and Madras. Later on, the Company will tour the Straits and continue its journey over to Java, but its plans from there onwards are not yet formed. It is quite possible that a tour to Australia will be made. I am sure that, on behalf of Hongkong residents generally, I can wish it the very best of success.

We shall be having the Engineers' Ball with us very shortly and, as most of those attending know, the band of the Wiltshire Regiment will be providing the music. I do not wish to indulge in any of that kind of criticism that I spoke of above, but I am only voicing a very generally felt hope that the band will do a little more credit to itself in the matter of time than it has so far when performing at dancing functions. The great thing to remember is that the dancing here is on the American style, suited to slow and well-emphasised time. The slower the better. Especially is this so as regards a waltz, because the old waltz step has given place to the One Step Waltz. I am sure that the band will not mind my having said as much because not only does its own popularity depend on the general opinion held but the pleasure of a great many people is in its keeping.

DR. C. T. WANG.

CHINESE PEACE DELEGATE IN HONGKONG.

Dr. C. T. Wang, Chinese Delegate to the European Peace Conference, who has just returned, arrived at Hongkong from Canton yesterday on a private railway car specially detailed by order of the Military Governor of Kwangtung. Dr. Wang was accompanied by Mr. Wang Hung Yue, M.P., Senator Chu Nin-chu, Mr. W. J. Chien, private secretary to the Peace Delegate, and Mr. Hin Wong, editor of the *Canton Times*.

The Peace Delegate and party were met at the Kowloon Station by Dr. Arthur W. Woo, Mr. Shuhsi Hsu, and Mr. Tsao Lin Sung. Dr. Wang called on His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong soon after his arrival, and afterwards took lunch with Sir Robert Ho Tung.

Dr. Wang was the guest of the Chinese Club in the afternoon, and the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in the evening. While at Canton on January 20, Dr. Wang made eight speeches and attended several meetings and dinners, including one by the Canton Government and another by returned students.

In the course of "one of his speeches" Dr. Wang said:—"When I left Canton for Europe by way of America, before the war was over, by instruction from the Administrative Directors and with the consent of the presiding officers of the two Houses, I was then going in order to arrange for an expedition of some thirty thousand men, at least, from our country in order to hasten the victory and also to have greater prestige at the peace conference. Before Europe was reached, however, and when still in America, the news of the collapse of German arms came, and China was unable to participate more in the struggle than what she had done. China's case was unsuccessful at the conference, because she did not do enough before the war was finished."

"Our case and our struggle for attaining our object is still on. As Heaven will test a person with difficulties before allowing him to be great, so a country will go through much hardship and labour before it will become a powerful nation. Twenty years ago, Brazil and China were represented at the first Hague Conference with seats among the fourth class powers. The Brazil delegate then stated to his associates that when they met again, he would be in a different role. At the recent conference, Brazil was listed among the second class powers with three delegates each, while China was allotted but two. This is a national disgrace which we should never forget."

"China is not without hope, as the citizens are having a public opinion and a national spirit. The Chinese peace delegates at Versailles refused to sign the Treaty of Peace because before the conclusion, thousands of telegrams were forwarded by the people urging their delegates not to sign. Our delegates are not representing the officials but the people. When our people say, 'Don't sign!', we cannot sign. The world respects us for our not signing, because we are right and have good reasons for refusing to sign."

In another speech, Dr. Wang said:—"Although it has been announced to the whole world that when Germany surrendered to the victorious Allies Right had at last conquered Might, in the case of China it has proved that with right alone she was unable to establish her legitimate claim to the recovery of her 'Alsace Lorraine' despite the Fourteen Points of President Wilson and the professions of the statesmen of the allied countries. It is well that we should learn a great lesson from the way China was treated at the Peace Conference, and that lesson is, that as long as China is weak and defenseless so long will she be the victim of foreign aggressions. Right alone cannot save China from the encroachments of her powerful neighbour. She must, therefore, exert her utmost to reinforce her righteous claims and aspirations by force, the kind of force with which the Allies had conquered Prussiaism." Dr. Wang left by the Empress of Asia for the North to-day.

ONE WONDER.

It has been noted that if China had a student population proportionate with the number in America, there would be 100,000,000 Chinese students. And how much "agitation"?

LOCAL EDUCATION.

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The above rules have been drawn by Mr. Ralphs, Director of Education, and agreed to by the St. Andrew's Society with the donor's approval. The late Mr. J. R. M. Smith was Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation from 1902 to 1910 and also President of the Hongkong St. Andrew's Society for the year 1909-1910.

CHRISTIAN WORK IN CHINA.

REPORT OF WOMEN WORKERS' CONFERENCE.

A forward step in Christian missions was taken from January 2 to 8, in Shanghai, when all phases of women's Christian Missionary work was considered by a commission from the Federation of Women's Boards of Foreign Missions in America in conference with representatives of the field work, and recommendations to the field, to existing national councils, and the home Boards were made. The Conference sought a bigger and a better programme through which to bring to the Chinese freedom of self-realisation in allegiance to Christ and of self-expression in Christian service for their fellow-men.

Seven of the fourteen delegates from America acted as chairmen of the sub-committees on Administration, Religious Education, Collegiate Work, Secondary Schools, Medical Work, Social Service and Christian Literature. The remaining membership of the Conference, less than seventy-five in all, was made up of representatives, foreign and Chinese, of the various forms of women's Christian mission activity from Poochow to Peking, from Hankow to Shanghai.

Some of the outstanding recommendations were:—That but one medical college for women in North and Central China be maintained, and this be bilingual; adequate in staff and equipment.

That the medical histories of all missionaries be kept up to date and on file at home and on the field and that the use of full-time be subject to a Medical Council in America.

That the phonetic system of the Chinese written language be pressed.

The Commission discourages Chinese going abroad for any study below graduate study.

They recognise the arguments for co-education and recommend promoting and developing it where the demand is in evidence.

In all twenty-seven specialists for the nation-wide Christian missionary work were requested, including among them, one for child welfare, one for women in industry, one for secondary education, and a journalist.

Decided progress was made in bringing men and women together in council and on future councils of home Board representatives and these working in union it is hoped both parts of the work will be jointly considered.—Contributed.

BOXING.

THE CARPENTIER-BECKETT FIGHT.

The sporting writer in *Truth* has the following regarding the Carpentier-Beckett fight:

To have our champion, of whom we had hoped so much, reduced to that condition in which "subsequent proceedings interested him no more" in less than a minute and a quarter by the watch is a shrewd blow at our sporting amour propre and an occasion of sore disconcertment both to the man in the street and to those plutocrats who paid for their seats at the trilling rate of just on half-a-guinea per second.

Beckett never seemed to be in it at all until with dramatic suddenness he was altogether too much in it. After landing twice on the body and missing with a right hook, he exposed himself for that fraction of a second sufficient for the purpose of the quick and resourceful Frenchman. With a grand dive of his right, which had enough power behind it to give a lamp-past the dithers, Carpentier got home on the point, and then, alas—*Procul est tunc lux*, never to rise this side of that eternity which, for ring purposes, is ten seconds. "Oh, what a fall was there, my countrymen!" And what a knock for the "movie" merchants!

It is useless to try and explain away this defeat. Carpentier won chiefly owing to his great intelligence, his wonderful rapidity, and that galvanic, dynamic nervous force with which he is surcharged. As heavy-weights go he is on the light side, and the comparative slenderness of his arms is deceptive in view of his punching power. It is certainly true that Beckett did not show the form he has shown. This is merely by way of comment, not excuse, for it is a boxer's business to "deliver the goods" on the critical occasion, and not before or after, or with his sparring partner. But enough: no one wishes to rub it in.

So that's that! Carpentier retains his title of European champion, and the indefatigable Cochran is now making arrangements for him to meet Dempsey, the American, for the title of world's champion.

ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

The *Boston Herald* contains the following account of the fight:

Seventy-four seconds, as announced by the official timer, sufficed to decide whether Carpentier or Beckett should meet Jack Dempsey, the American heavyweight, for the championship of the world in June next. From the moment the referee, B. J. Angle, called time, Carpentier had the battle entirely in his own hands. Beckett never had a chance of hitting the agile Frenchman, who landed blows with enormous strength whenever he felt inclined.

Amid absolute stillness, most of the spectators could hear the terrific crack of the swing that put Beckett to sleep. There was a roar of cheering as Carpentier assisted Beckett to his corner, where the Englishman opened his astonished eyes and saw his opponent being carried on the shoulders of some of the enthusiasts around the ring—and the Frenchman was smiling happily.

The contestants presented a neutral difference in appearance when they stripped and were introduced. Beckett, swarthy and muscular; Carpentier, white-skinned, with slight figure. Carpentier looked about him as though accustomed to his surroundings; Beckett seemed somewhat nervous.

Piers and peers, members of the House of Commons, high officials of state, many women, most of them in evening dress, and the Prince of Wales, just returned from his American trip, looked the fighters over critically as they squared up.

The men entered the ring at 9.44 p.m. Carpentier's winning blow was a terrific right hand, jab on the point of the jaw. Beckett fell to the floor face downwards and just a few, almost unnoticeable squirms, were the only signs of any consciousness he displayed. At the end of 10 seconds Beckett had to be assisted to his feet, and it was some seconds before he realised the contest was over. The actual fighting lasted only 10 seconds, the rest of the time being occupied in sparring.

Carpentier gave a most brilliant display of boxing for the short time the fight lasted. He soon saw the weakness of Beckett's defence, which was leaving the face unguarded. Beckett went forward with his left hand held wide, and the right too low. Carpentier, after a quick feint, leaped

FOOTBALL.

The following will represent the Hongkong Football Club 2nd XI versus the Kowloon Football Club in a 2nd Division Match at 2.30 p.m. on the Club ground on Saturday, 24th January.—W. W. McKenzie; W. Gerrard and Young; Jones, Weyman and Ireland; Zevenijn, May, G. Gerrard, Pilger and Boysen.

The following will represent the Club in their game with H. M. S. Ambrose on Saturday, 24th January, on the Club ground; kick-off at 4.15 p.m.—Rodger; Clark and Tonkin; Ralston, Rodger and Ralston; Hamilton, McTavish, Riechelman, Neal and Riis.

FOOTBALL CHALLENGE SHIELD.—The draw for the first round of the above competition will take place in the Hongkong Football Club House, Happy Valley, on Saturday, 24th January, at 6 p.m., also any other business in connection with above.

Entries have been received from the following Clubs:—H.M.S. Carlisle, H.M.S. Cadmus, H.M.S. Ambrose, Submarine Depot, Hongkong Police, Kowloon, South China Athletic, St. Joseph's College and Hongkong Football Club.

CRICKET.

The following will represent the L.R.C. in their League fixture against the K.C.C. on the latter's ground on Saturday at 2.15 p.m.:

A. H. Rumjahn (Captain), A. el Arailli, G. C. Eard, S. H. I-mail, S. D. Ismail, N. M. Bux, M. B. Sumad, S. A. Ismail, A. A. Rumjahn, D. Rumjahn, and S. M. Moosa.

DEATH OF OLD RESIDENT IN JAPAN.

Kobe, Jan. 13. Mr. N. B. Reid, one of the best known ship-ping men of the East, died at his residence at Dai-ri, near Shimono-oshiki, at 10.30 a.m. yesterday.

forward and with all his body behind it, landed a straight left flush on the nose. The movement was so quick that Beckett was unable to dodge.

Then while the Britisher was blinking his eyes to remove the moisture which had been forced there, and before he could settle down, the Frenchman repeated the same trick with the same telling effect. The blows came so speedily that Beckett seemed hopelessly incapable of avoiding them.

The British champion showed some sort of realisation that he was in a boxing contest by trying to clinch and landing a few body-blows, but could not keep Carpentier at close quarters and the French champion backed just far enough to make the same movement again, and crash—once more went his left hand backed up by wonderful speed.

Beckett then saw he must do something to avoid that left hand. Carpentier feinted again, but it was not the left which shot out this time, but the right, and it landed a smashing blow on the point of Beckett's chin, on that part where it is most effective to render a boxer unconscious. If Beckett had been hit with a hammer he could scarcely have been knocked out with more effectiveness. Just those four punches delivered inside of 60 seconds were all that the French champion found necessary to give him the verdict.

There was nothing of chance about those four blows. Each was well and truly delivered where it was intended. After the last blow it was obvious that Beckett's number was up; his knees sagged until they touched the floor and then he collapsed face downwards and took the count, beaten by a man of more facile thought and action. Only once did Beckett show any signs of initiative. That was after receiving the first of two left-hand hits, when he swung his left at the Frenchman as the latter wheeled round to get a fresh start for another attack.

The scene was one of great excitement at the finish, with everybody standing up shouting. Carpentier, delighted with the victory, waved to the people, smiled, danced and then, collecting himself, crossed to the fallen Beckett and helped him to his feet. Carpentier was carried away shoulder-high and cheered loudly and ungrudgingly. Later the Prince of Wales gave the victor a handshake and congratulated him on his victory.

MARATHON RACE.

SOME OF THE ENTRIES.

Entries for the Marathon Race, to be run on Saturday, February 21st, under the management of the Hongkong Boxing Association, have to date been made as follows:—

1. Eric Carr, Jardine Matheson and Co.
2. J. Marshall, Loxley and Co.
3. Pte. Tissier, Wilts. Regt.
4. P.C. H. W. Fraser, H. K. Police.
5. N. B. Mohamed, Kowloon.
6. Stoker W. Hollishead, H.M.S. Alacrity.
7. Stoker H. Williams, L. 15.
8. Stoker T. Barry, L. 15.
9. A. B. L. Du'o's, L. 15.
10. A. B. J. Frost, L. 15.
11. Pte. H. Armshead, Wilts. Regt.

Entries close on Saturday, January 21st, at noon. The *Hongkong Telegraph* has presented a cup for the winner.

It will be remembered that there were no less than 56 competitors in the Police Reserve Marathon which was held on April 20th, 1918. The winner was Naik Rannia Khan, 18th Infantry, who covered the 10 mile course in 1 hour, 16 minutes, 47.45 seconds. The second man in was Sanitary Inspector Wood.

LORD DUNSANY.

In a letter to Stuart Walker, his American producer, Lord Dunsany wrote as follows when questioned as to the correct pronunciation of his name:— "Nobody should pronounce my name Dunsany, for pretty as the dactyl is, it is not a dactyl. Those who call it Doonsahny have every right to do so, for since it is the name of an Irish place one can hardly blame people for pronouncing it in an old Irish unanglicised manner. I don't know about the Sahny, but I don't believe a quite correct pronunciation of those circular things which in Ireland are usually spelt dun and which appear in London as don, from one of which my name evidently had its name. But as a matter of fact I pronounce it Dun-sa-ny, with the accent on the second syllable which is pronounced as "say," the first syllable rhyming with "gun." This will be of interest to those who are indubitably as to the correct pronunciation of the name of one of England's foremost modern writers and who intend seeing the University Students in two of Lord Dunsany's finest Plays of Wonder, to be given at the Theatre Royal on February 13th, 14th and 15th.

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D. de H. FARRANT, Superintendent, Hongkong, Jan. 15, 1920.

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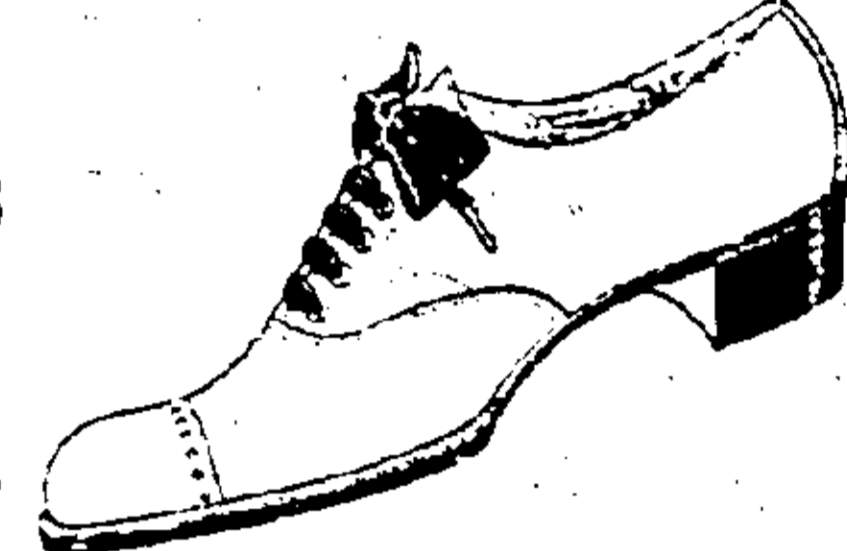
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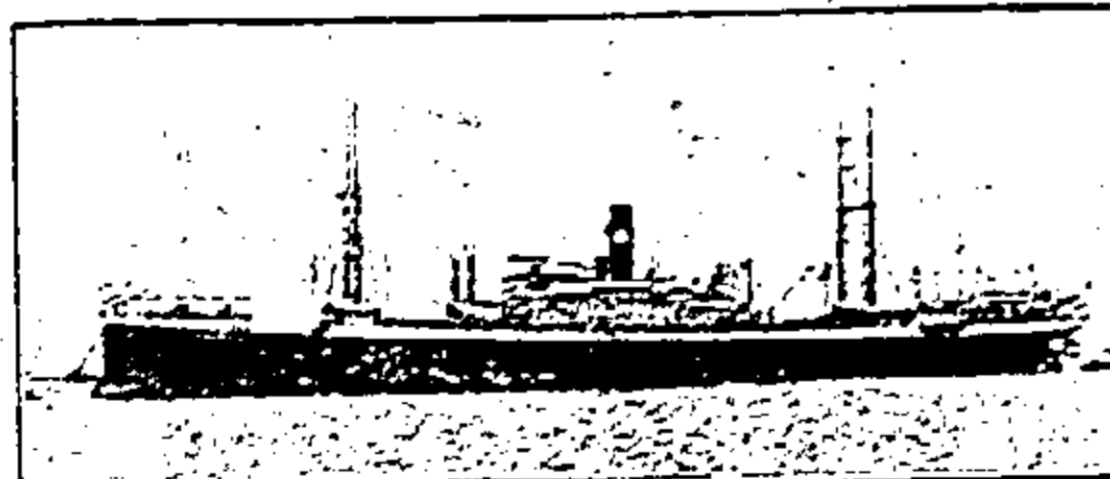
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The s.s. MOORISH PRINCE is expected here from New York on or about 26th instant.

The Pacific Mail S.S. Co. is in receipt of telegraphic advice from its Shanghai Office to the effect that the s.s. COLOMBIA, Voyage 13-04, left that port on the 14th inst., for Manila and may be expected at this port on or about Saturday, January 24th.

The N.Y.K. s.s. INABA M. (European Line) left Kobe for this port via Suez Canal on the 15th Jan., and is expected here on the 24th January.

The N.Y.K. s.s. KAGA M. (European Line) left London for this port via Suez Canal on the 10th Jan., and is expected here on the 18th Feb.

The China Mail S.S. Co.'s s.s. CHINA sailed from Yokohama on January 16th and may be expected to arrive in Hongkong on January 24th.

The N.Y.K. s.s. TOTOMI M. (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port direct on the 16th Jan., and is expected here on the 4th Feb.

The N.Y.K. s.s. SHINYO M. (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port direct on the 18th Jan., and is expected here on the 6th Feb.

The N.Y.K. s.s. NAGANO M. (Bombay Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji on the 18th Jan., and is expected here on the 25th Jan.

The N.Y.K. s.s. SUWA M. (American Line) left Manila for this port on the 20th Jan., and is expected here on the 22nd Jan.

The N.Y.K. s.s. NAGANO M. left Moji for this port on the 20th Jan., and is expected here on the 25th Jan.

The Pacific Mail s.s. WEST CONOB, Voyage 2-02, left Shanghai on the 20th inst., and is due here on Saturday, Jan. 24th.

TIDE TABLE.

19th to 25th January, 1920.

Day of Week	Day of Month	High Water Hongkong Mean Time	Height	Low Water Hongkong Mean Time	Height
Mon.	19	11 31	4.1	2 37	1.3
Tues.	20	10 18	4.2	3 28	1.0
Wed.	21	10 40	4.3	4 0	0.8
Thurs.	22	11 59	4.4	4 51	0.7
Fri.	23	11 21	4.6	5 27	3.1
Sat.	24	10 26	4.3	4 5	3.0
Sun.	25	11 41	4.8	5 26	1.9
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		11 55	6.4	5 32	2.7

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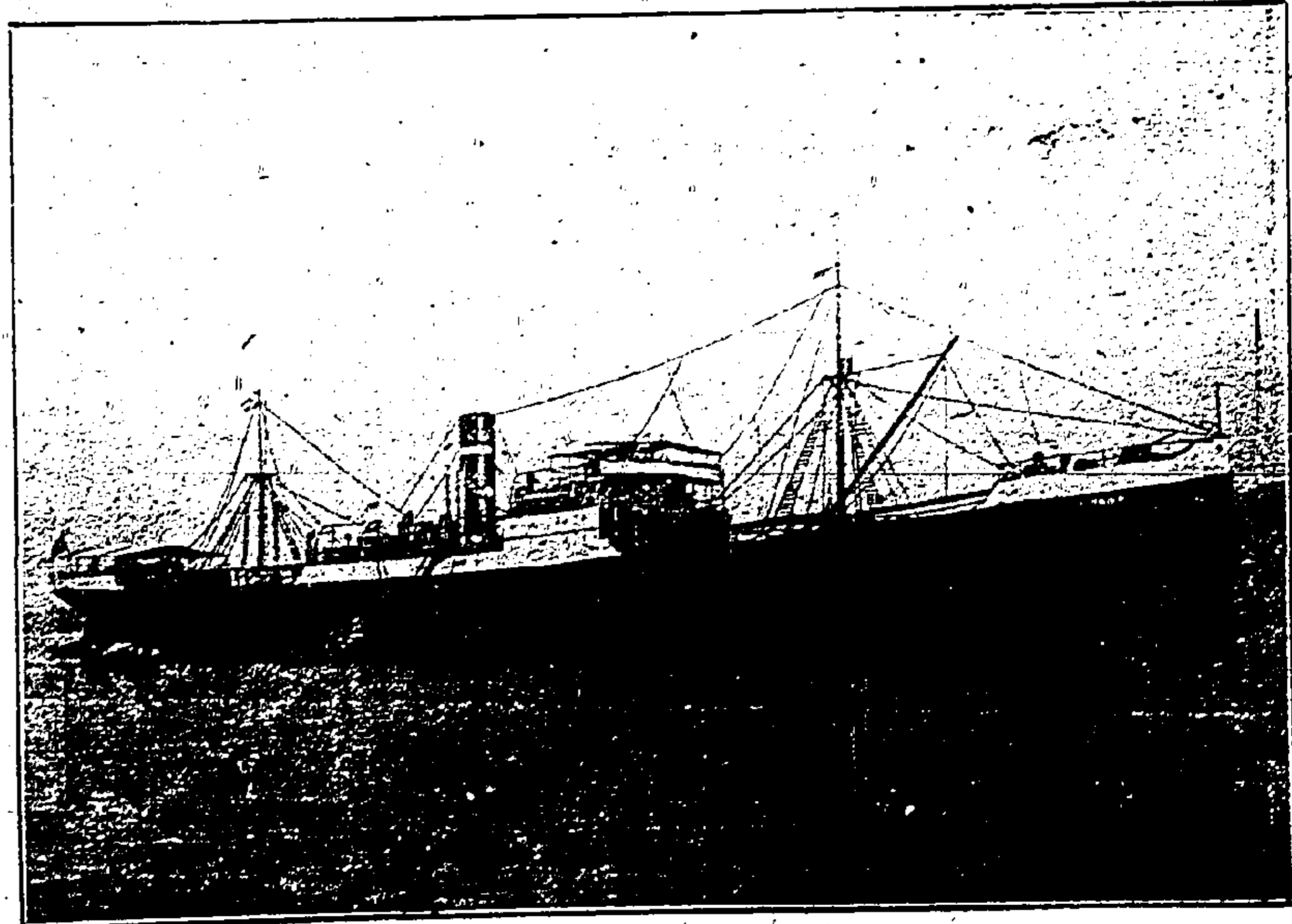
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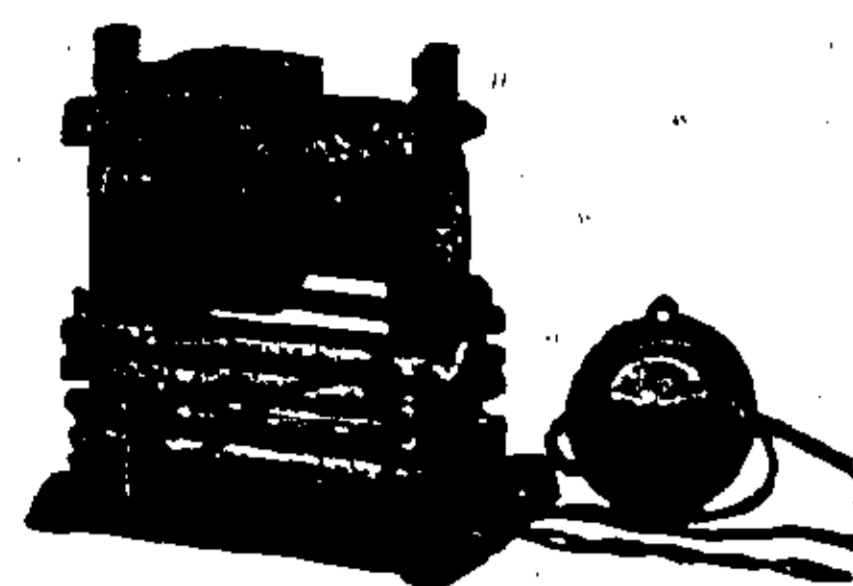
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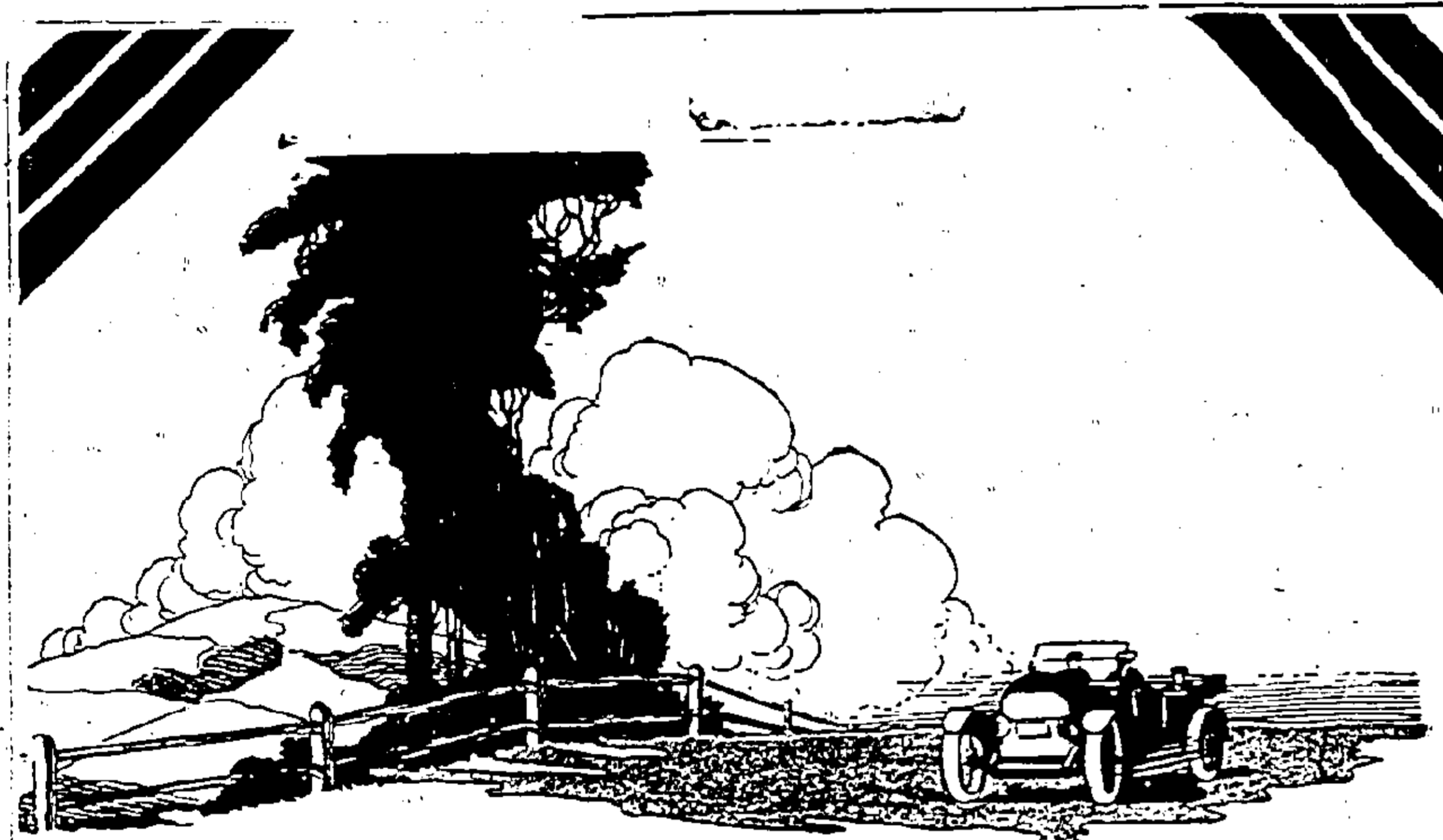
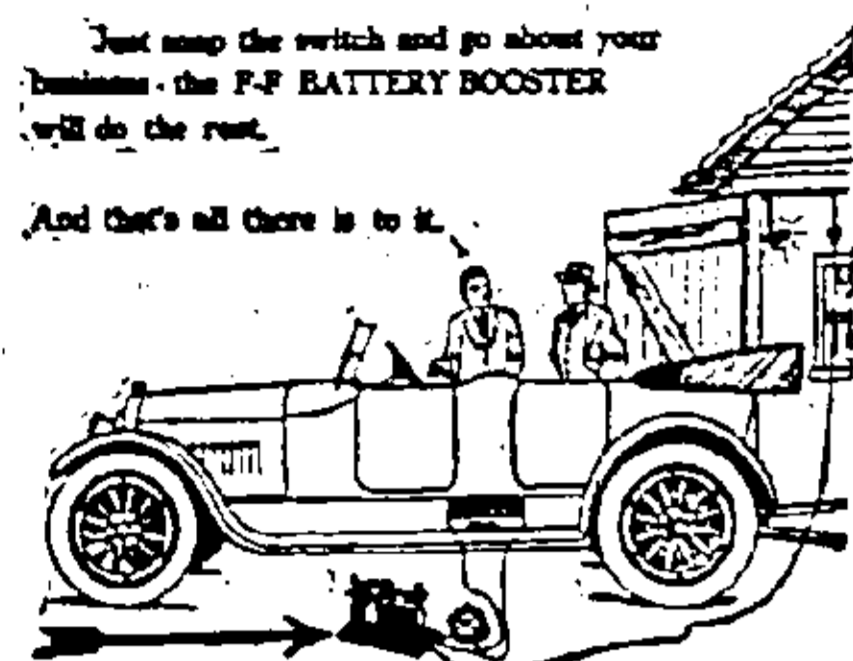


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E. of Asia	C. P. O. S.	Jan. 22
Madras	P. & O.	Jan. 24
Inaba M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 25
St. Albans	P. & O.	Jan. 25
Bessie Dollar	R. D. Co.	Jan. 26
E. of Japan	C. P. O. S.	Jan. 26
West Conob	P. M. Co.	Jan. 26
Tancred	R. D. Co.	Jan. 26
Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 26
Colombia	P. M. Co.	Jan. 28
Atreus	B. L.	Jan. 28
Van Waerwyck	J. C. J. L.	Jan. 29
Siberia M.	T. K. K.	Jan. 30
China	C. M. Co.	Jan. 31
Mitsuki M.	O. S. K.	Jan. 31
Grace D.	R. D. Co.	Jan. 31
St. Francis	B. L.	Jan. 31
Africa	D. & Co.	Jan. 31
Ceylon M.	N. Y. K.	E. of Jan.
Atlas M.	O. S. K.	B. of Feb.
Unnan M.	O. S. K.	Feb. 1
West Harts	R. D. Co.	Feb. 2
Persia M.	T. K. K.	Feb. 3
St. Andrew	D. & Co.	Feb. 4
Iconium	A. L.	Feb. 4
Toyama M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 4
Suwa M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 4
Stanley D.	R. D. Co.	Feb. 6
Kamo M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 6
Changsha	B. & S.	Feb. 7
West Jena	S. & D.	Feb. 9
Aristo	B. L.	Feb. 10
Suvero	B. L.	Feb. 10
Eastern	P. & O.	Feb. 11
Matoppe	B. L.	Feb. 10
Moorish Prince	S. T. Co.	Feb. 13
Crosskeys	A. L.	Feb. 13
Dilwara	P. & O.	Feb. 16
West Ison	S. & D.	M. of Feb.
Aki M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 18
Tango M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 21
Kashima M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 22
Korea M.	T. K. K.	Feb. 23
Whetland	A. L.	Feb. 24
Africa M.	O. S. K.	Feb. 25
Venezuela	P. M. Co.	Feb. 25
Hakata M.	N. Y. K.	E. Feb.
Colorado Springs	S. & D.	E. Feb.
Canada M.	O. S. K.	E. Feb.
Hathaway	S. & D.	E. Feb.
West Ivis	S. & D.	E. Feb.
Tajima M.	N. Y. K.	B. of Mar.
Nile	C. M. Co.	Mar. 2
Melville	D. R. D. Co.	Mar. 8
Tenyo M.	T. K. K.	Mar. 11
Western Cross	A. L.	M. Mar.
Endicott	A. L.	Mar. 16
Fushimi M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 17
Harold D.	R. D. Co.	Mar. 21
Nanking	C. M. Co.	Mar. 23
Elkton	A. L.	Mar. 30
Sagapora	A. L.	E. Mar.
Shinyo M.	T. K. K.	Apr. 1

JAPAN, COAST PORTS, ETC.

Chusan	B. & S.	Jan. 22
Sinkiang	B. & S.	Jan. 22
Loongsang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 23
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Matara	P. & O.	Jan. 23
Kwongsang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 23
Atsuta M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 23
Taksang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 25
Teau	B. & S.	Jan. 25
Kaijo M.	O. S. K.	Jan. 25
Tama M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 25
Nago M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 25
Sima M.	O. S. K.	Jan. 25
Haiching	D. L. Co.	Jan. 25
Nagano M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 26
Hangsang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 26
Chengtu	B. & S.	Jan. 27
Hinsang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 27
Shantung	B. & S.	Jan. 27
Namsang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 28
Sosui M.	O. S. K.	Jan. 29
Sunning M.	B. & S.	Jan. 29
Sosui M.	O. S. K.	Jan. 29
Itola	P. & O.	Jan. 30
Haihong	D. L. Co.	Jan. 30
Wingsang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 30
Shimo M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 31
Tenshin M.	N. Y. K.	E. of Jan.
Chaksang	J. M. Co.	Feb. 4
Shidzuoka M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 5
Tsikiwong	J. C. J. L.	Feb. 12
Tjikini	J. C. J. L.	Feb. 13
Tjisondari	J. C. J. L.	Feb. 14

CHINESE RETURNING HOME
There was a great rush of Chinese to the United States in the eighties, at the time when labour was in demand for the building of railways, etc. Now, it is said, the Chinese population has considerably decreased. For one Chinese proceeding to America, three return.

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T/T Japan	193
T/T India	217
Demand, India	217
T/T San Francisco	94
& New York	94
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30 d/s. San Francisco & New York	95 1/4
4 m/s. Marks	Nom.
4 m/s. France	11.35
6 m/s. France	11.47
Demand, Germany	—
Demand, New York	94 1/2
T/T Bombay	217
Demand, Bombay	—
T/T Calcutta	217
Demand, Calcutta	—
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COMMERCIAL NEWS.

BRITISH-GROWN DRUGS.

One of the minor romances of the war was the development of the British drug industry. In pre-war days Germany had a virtual monopoly of a great number of drugs, and at the outbreak of hostilities the position was grave indeed. "But thanks to the patient research work of our chemists we succeeded in

making good the deficiency," said a manager of one of the leading firms of British manufacturing chemists recently. "We solved the problem of making in this country products previously obtained from Germany alone. We provided all the drugs that were essential to the health of the Army and nation." As the result of scientific research no less than 16 important medicinal chemicals of which

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Classes for the July Examination in all subjects, including Latin and French, have commenced.

Prospectus on application.

The Hongkong Tutorial and Educational Institute.

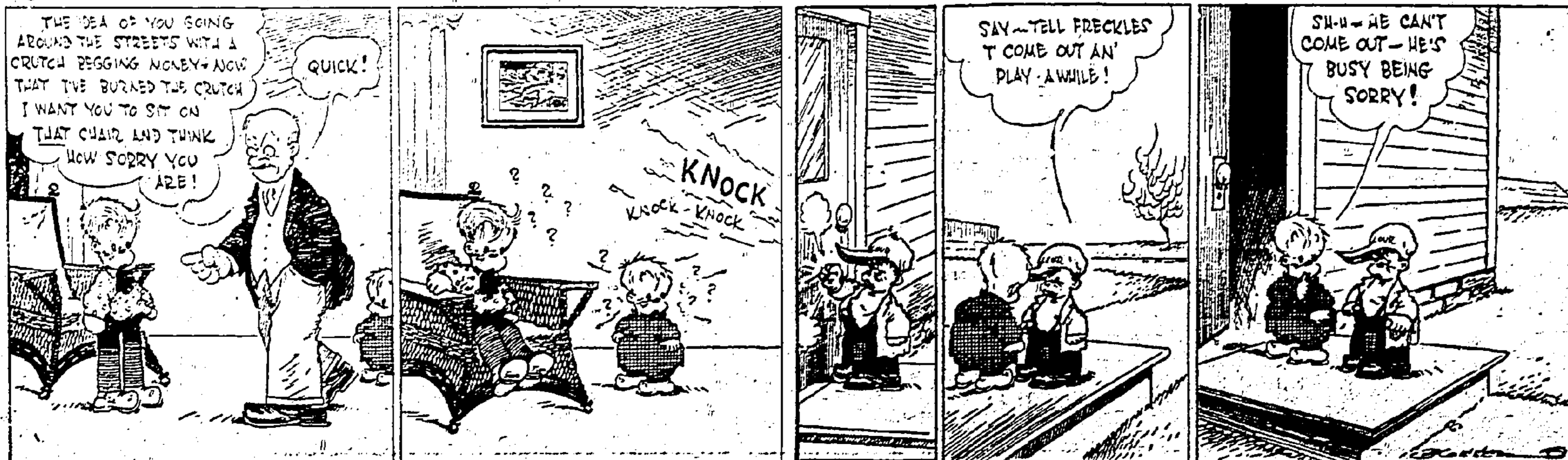
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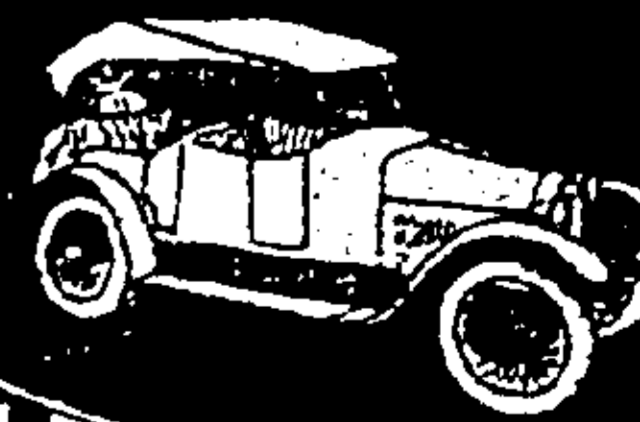
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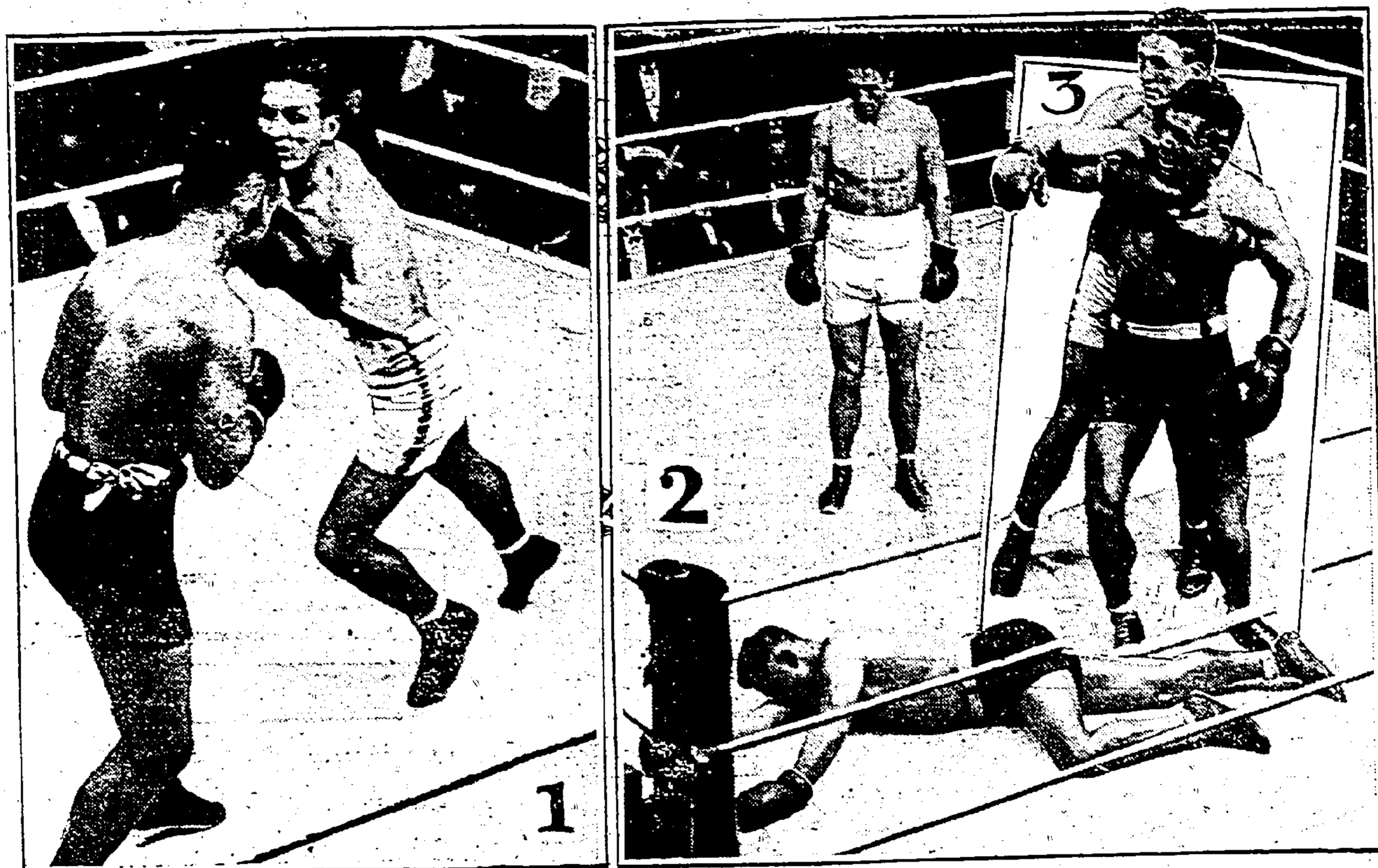
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TO-DAY'S PICTURES.



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PAL MOORE

THE CARPENTIER-BECKETT FIGHT.

1.—The lead to the knock-out blow. 2.—Beckett unconscious. 3.—Lifted by opponent.

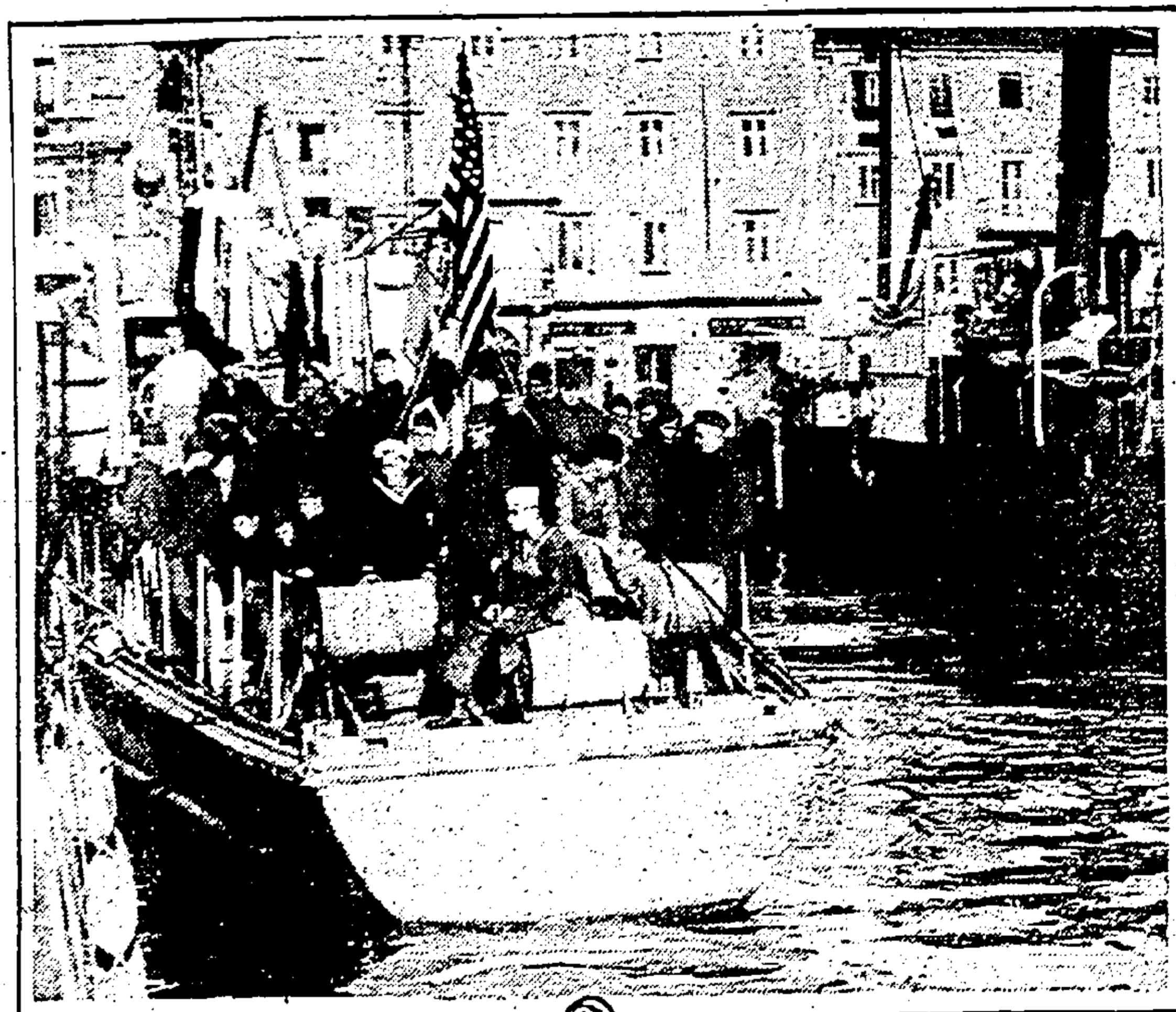
The photos of the European heavyweight championship fight between Georges Carpentier of France, and Joe Beckett of England, which have just reached us, are unusually good. They tell better than the cabled accounts the true story of the fight. No word story describes the kindly act of Carpentier helping his defeated opponent to his corner as does the picture. The picture of the knock-out blow, preceded by another of those lightning left jabs, shows the force with which Carpentier is hitting. The left led to the chin and the right followed. In the other picture Beckett is shown hopelessly out—prone on the floor of the ring with the victor standing back as fresh as a daisy.



Above, Lady Astor, the first lady member of the House of Commons, is seen on her electioneering campaign. Below are Lady Astor and her husband.



This little girl was declared to be the perfect English baby at a recent baby show in London. She was born in Canada, is two years old and weighs 31½ lbs.

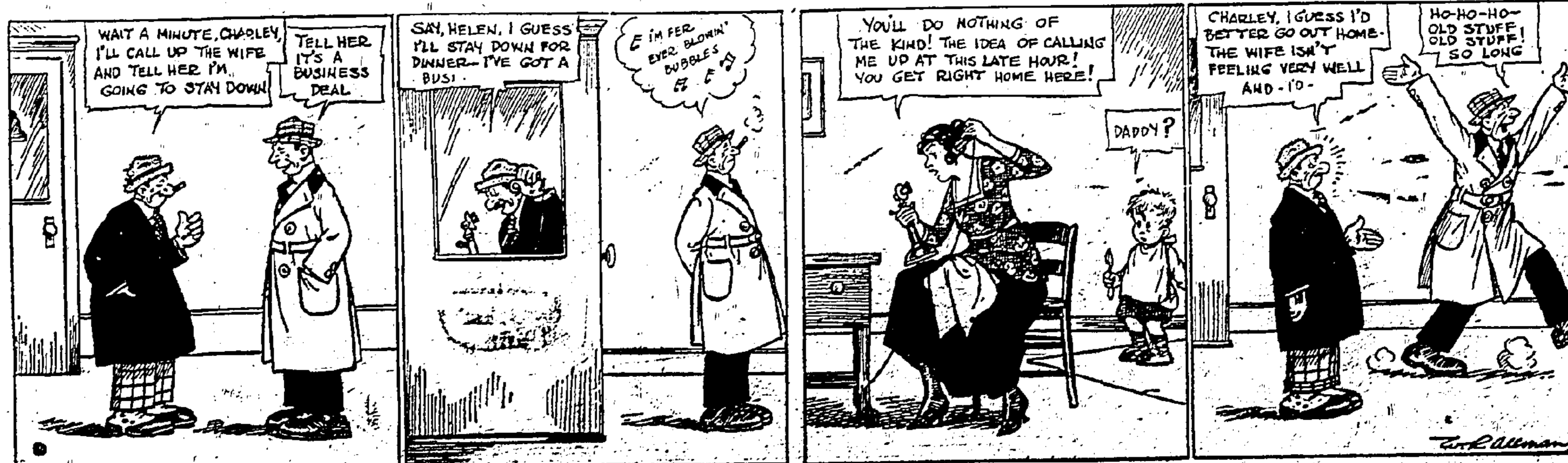


The picture shows a batch of American and Allied soldiers and sailors at Fiume, where, in the recent troubles, they policed the city.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

Tom Tries to Pull an Old One.

BY ALLMAN.



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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-Signed on or before the 3rd Feb., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hongkong, 20th January, 1919.

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Goods not cleared by the 25th January will be subject to rent. Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees' representative and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday and Friday. All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignatures immediately.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, Y. YASUDA, Manager.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1919.

SUICIDE'S GOOD-BYE BY PHONE.

How a woman told her husband by telephone that she was about to commit suicide and then did so was told at a Shepherd's Bush inquest. "You know what I told you this morning," said Mrs. Annie Shaw, aged 54. "I am going to do it. Good-bye." Soon afterwards she took salts of lemon. It was stated that since an injury to her head in a motor accident three years ago she had been depressed and strange in her ways.

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TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

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Banks.	
H.K. & S. Bank n.	\$600
Marine Insurances.	
Cantons b.	390
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Unions n.	180
Yangtze n.	260
Far Eastern n.	t. 22
Fire Insurances.	
China Fire n.	138
H. K. Fire s.	310
Shipping.	
Douglases s.	89
Steamboats b. 20 1/2 s.	22
Indos (Pref.) n.	20
Indos (Def.) n.	208
Shells b.	240
Ferries s.	29
Refineries.	
Sugars n.	212
Malabons b.	47
Mining.	
Kailans b.	120/-
Langkats n.	t. 14
Shanghai Loans n.	t. 14
Shai Explorations s.	2
Raub s.	42 1/2
Tronohs n.	30/-
Ural Caspians s.	30/-
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.	
H.K. Wharves b.	88
K. Docks s.	155
Shai Docks b.	t. 110
N. Engineering b.	t. 26 1/2
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.	
Centrals s.	109
H.K. Hotels b.	112
L. Invest n.	119
H. Phreys Est. s.	7 1/2
K'loon Lands n.	53
L. Reclamations n.	140
West Points n.	53
Cotton Mills	
Ewoe b. t. 465 ex rights	
Kung Yiks n.	t. 51 1/2
Lau Kung Mows n.	t. 300
Oriental n.	t. 290
Shai Cottons n.	t. 300
Yangszepps b.	t. 34
Miscellaneous.	
Cements s.	6.90
China Borneo b.	17
Do. Light old b. 7 new 5	
China Providents b.	7.60
Dairy Farms n.	22
Electrics H. K. n.	87
Electrics Macao n.	34
Hongkong Ropes s.	27
Hk. Tramways b. 7 s. 7 1/2	
Peak Trams, old s.	7
Do. new n.	80 cts.
Steam Laundries b.	3 1/2
Steel Foundries n.	10
Water-works b.	11 1/2
Watsons n.	5 1/2
Wm. Powells b.	12
Wisemans b.	27 1/2

Hongkong, Jan. 22, 1920.

WEATHER REPORT.

January 22d. 19th. 12m.—No return from Vladivostok Japan or the Marianas. Pressure has increased considerably over N.E. China, and decreased slightly along the south coast. It is really stationary over the Philippines.

The anticyclone has spread north-eastward and is now central to the north of the lower Yangtze Valley.

Moderate monsoon may be expected along the south-east coast of China and over the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.90 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.90 inches, against an average of 0.74 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Hongkong to Gap Rock, N.E. wind, moderate; fine.

2 Formosa Channel, N.E. wind, strong.

3 South coast of China, b.e. The same between H.K. and Lamcocks as No. 1.

4 South coast of China, b.e. The same between H.K. and Hainan as No. 1.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, Jan. 22, 1920.



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To be run on
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY
21st, 1920.
Start at 3.0 p.m.

COURSE (about 11 miles):
OUT: Statue Wharf (opposite Queen's Statue) past Hongkong Club and Law Courts, up Garden Road to Public Gardens, past Government House, along Caine Road to University, and thence along Pokfulam Road to junction with Jubilee Road.
HOME: Along Jubilee Road to Kennedy Town Slaughter Houses, thence on to Praya (or Water Front) along Water Front to Winning Post opposite Hongkong Club.

Race Stewards will be posted along the course.

CONDITIONS: Go as you please. NO STOPPING.
Minimum clothing, singlet and shorts.

Prizes (trophies) according to number of entries.

Intending Runners are requested to send name, rank (if any) and address to—

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Details as to drawing for places will be duly published in these Columns.

ENTRIES close on Saturday, 31st January, at 12 noon.

H. J. GEDGE,
F. C. JENKIN,
J. C. WILKIN,
G. G. N. TINSON.

Marathon Race Sub-Committee.

SHIPPING.

VESSELS ARRIVED.

From Singapore the GLENFALLOCH, consigned here 940 tons general cargo.—Mooring, No. 11.

Rice and other merchandise to the extent of 1517 tons were brought here by the TAKSANG from Haiphong and Hoihow.—Mooring, C 41.

The O. S. K. KAIJU MARU, brought 1,135 tons of cargo and 17 bags mail to this port from Swatow yesterday.—Mooring, Wharf.

The ATSUTA MARU, from London, had 5,919 tons general and 457 tons locally-consigned cargo, 217 passengers and 147 bags mails when she came in this morning.—Mooring, Kowloon Wharf.

POST OFFICE.

Telegraphic Communication with Gap Rock Lighthouse is interrupted.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILS.

Manila & U.S.A.—Per SUWA M., 22nd Jan.
Shanghai—Per SHANTUNG, 23rd Jan.
Japan and U.S.A.—Per PERSIA M., 23rd Jan.
Bombay—Per TAMA M., 24th Jan.
Shanghai—Per WEST CONOB, 24th Jan.
Shanghai & Japan—INABA M., 24th Jan.
Japan—Per NAGANO M., 25th Jan.

Europe via Negapatam—Per MUNCASTER CASTLE, 27th Jan.
Straits & Calcutta—Per SHIMPO M., 30th Jan.

OUTWARD MAILS.

Swatow & Straits—Per CHINHUA, 23rd Jan., 8 a.m.
Macao—Per SUI AN, 23rd Jan., 8.30 a.m.

Hoihow and Haiphong—Per PHRANANG, 23rd Jan., 9 a.m.

Haiphong—Per HAIMUN, 23rd Jan., 9 a.m.

Shanghai N. China & Japan via Kobe—Per ATSUTA M., 23rd Jan., 10 a.m.

Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE VIA SUEZ—Per TEIRESIAS, 23rd Jan., Reg. 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

Fort Bayard—Per WINGHANG, 23rd Jan., 1 p.m.

Haiphong—Per HANOI, 23rd Jan., 1 p.m.

Philippine Islands—Per LOONGSANG, 23rd Jan., 2 p.m.

Japan via Nagasaki—Per BENARTY, 23rd Jan., 2 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per HSINTAH, 23rd Jan., 3 p.m.

Macao—Per CHUNCHOW, 23rd Jan., 4.30 p.m.

Saigon—Per FAUSANG, 23rd Jan., 5 p.m.

Haiphong—Per TJIPANAS, 23rd Jan., 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, 24th JANUARY.

Macao—Per SUI TAI, 24th Jan., 1.30 p.m.

Macao—Per CHUN CHOW, 24th Jan., 4.30 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per TEAN, 24th Jan., 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, 25th JANUARY.

Macao—Per SUI AN, 25th Jan., 8.30 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAICHING, 25th Jan., 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Formosa via Keelung—Per KAIJO M., 25th Jan., 9 a.m.

Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE VIA MARSEILLES—Per INABA MARU, 25th Jan., Reg. 9 a.m. Letters 9 a.m.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous.	
Day On date On date	at 5 p.m. at 6 a.m. at 5 p.m.
Barometer	32.11 30.15 30.11
Temperature	63 52 66
Humidity	18 53 23
Wind Direction	E. E. N.E.
Force	2 1 3
Weather	b b c
Rain	0.00 0.00 0.00
Light open air Temperature on the ground	21st 63 22nd 53
H.K. Observatory, Jan. 22, 1920.	
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